

Application Serial Number 10/799,097
Amendment dated April 22, 2005
Response to Office Action mailed January 5, 2005

Remarks/Arguments

Applicants have received and carefully reviewed the Office Action mailed January 5, 2005 and the Advisory Action mailed April 18, 2005. Claims 1-63 and 68-75 have been canceled. Claims 64-67 are pending. Reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating claims 64-67 are allowed.

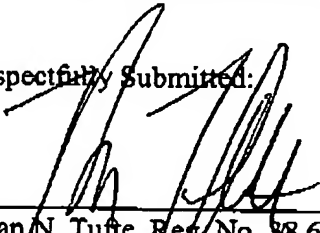
Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 23-63 and 68-75 remain rejected as being unpatentable over Hudson et al. (US 5,970,997 and Erdman et al. (US 6,414,408). Applicants do not concede the correctness of the rejection, however in the interest of advancing prosecution, claims 23-63 and 68-75 have been canceled, rendering the rejection moot.

Reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested. It is submitted that, because all pending claims 64-67 were previously indicated as allowed, the application should now proceed to issue. If a telephone interview would be of assistance, please contact the undersigned attorney at 612-677-9050.

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